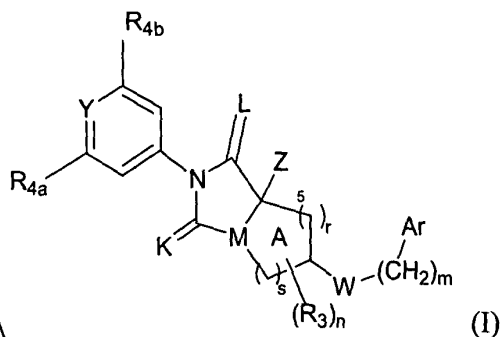


Please add new claims 20 - 22 as follows:

20 (New). A compound having the formula,



or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof, in which:

L and K, taken independently, are O or S;

M is N or CH;

Y is CH or N;

Z is hydrogen, alkyl, or substituted alkyl, provided that Z may be selected from arylalkyl and heteroarylalkyl only when M is CH;

W is selected from a bond, -O-, -NR₁₀-, -S-, -CO₂-, -OC(=O)-, -NR₁₀C(=O)-, -C(=O)NR₁₀-, and -NR₁₀CO₂-;

Ar is aryl or heteroaryl optionally substituted with one to three R₁₁;

R₃ is at each occurrence selected independently of each other R₃ from halogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, nitro, cyano, OR₈, NR₈R₉, CO₂R₈, (C=O)R₈, C(=O)NR₈R₉, NR₈C(=O)R₉, NR₈C(=O)OR₉, OC(=O)R₈, OC(=O)NR₈R₉, SR₈, S(O)_qR_{8a}, NR₈SO₂R₉, SO₂NR₈R₉, aryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclo, and cycloalkyl;

R_{4a} and R_{4b} are selected independently of each other from the group consisting of hydrogen, halogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, nitro, cyano, hydroxy, alkoxy, substituted alkoxy, phenyloxy, benzyloxy, CO₂H, C(=O)H, amino, alkylamino, substituted alkylamino, CO₂alkyl, (C=O)alkyl, and alkylthio;

R_8 and R_9 (i) selected independently of each other are hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, alkoxy, cycloalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclo; or (ii) taken together form a heterocyclo ring;

R_{8a} is alkyl, substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclo;

R_{10} is hydrogen, alkyl, or substituted alkyl;

R_{11} is selected from halogen, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, amino, alkylamino, haloalkyl, haloalkoxy, nitro, cyano, phenyl, benzyl, phenyloxy, benzyloxy, and alkyl substituted with hydroxy, alkoxy, amino, alkylamino, haloalkyl, haloalkoxy, nitro, or cyano;

m is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

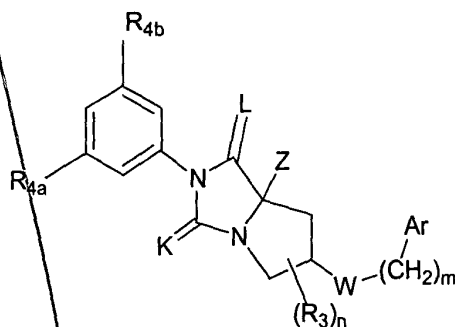
n is 0, 1, or 2;

q is 1, 2, or 3;

r is 1 or 2; and

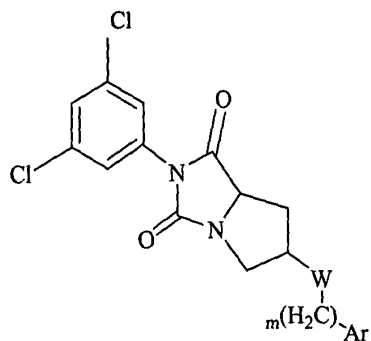
s is 0, 1, or 2.

21 (New). A compound according to claim 20, having the formula:

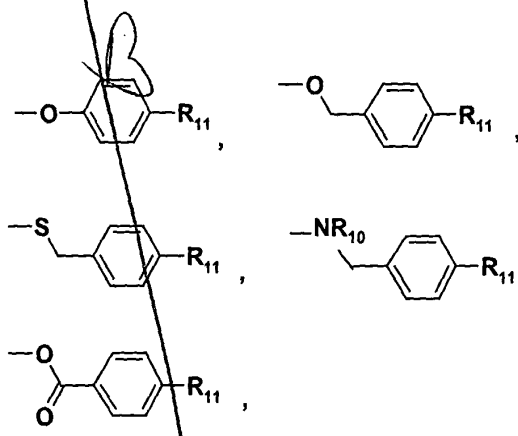


in which Z is selected from hydrogen, alkyl, or alkyl substituted with hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, or alkylamino.

22 (New). A compound according to claim 20 having the formula,



in which the groups $W-(CH_2)_m-Ar$ taken together are selected from:



R_{10} is selected from hydrogen and alkyl; and

R_{11} is selected from hydrogen, bromo, chloro, cyano, and methoxy.

Remarks

Applicant submits this preliminary amendment in order to assist with the search and examination of the claims. For example, in new claims 20-22, the group T is an optionally-substituted carbon atom. It is believed this point of focus should assist the Examiner in performing a search and examination of the compounds covered by the claims.